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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION DIRECTIVE

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER		DATE	September 29, 2021
MOTOR CARRIER MATTER		DOCKET NO.	2006-401-G
UTILITIES MATTER	✓	ORDER NO.	2021-661
THIS DIRECTIVE CHALL	CEDVE AC T	UE COMMISSIONIS	CORRED ON THIS ISSUE

THIS DIRECTIVE SHALL SERVE AS THE COMMISSION'S ORDER ON THIS ISSUE.

Order Approving GCRM-153

SUBJECT:

<u>DOCKET NO. 2006-401-G</u> - <u>Application of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Incorporated for Approval of GCRMs</u> - Staff Presents for Commission Consideration Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Incorporated's Request for Approval of Its GCRM-153.

COMMISSION ACTION:

I move that the Commission approve Piedmont Natural Gas Company's GCRM-153, effective with the first billing cycle in October 2021, and thereafter, until further notice.

Piedmont's benchmark cost of gas that Piedmont must pay has increased again and is currently at levels above the \$3.00 per dekatherm commodity cost of gas reflected in Piedmont's current rates. Based on the differential between Piedmont's existing benchmark cost of gas and the futures wholesale price, as well as the current balance in its deferred gas cost account, Piedmont is at risk of under-collecting its wholesale gas costs if the benchmark cost of gas reflected in its rates is not increased to \$4.50 per dekathrm.

This change results in an increase of \$0.15266/therm for sales rate schedules (201, 202, 242, 252, 203, and 204), and an increase of \$0.00266/therm for transportation rate schedules (213 and 214). It is noted that the Office of Regulatory Staff recommends approval of this change.

I so move.

PRESIDING:	J. Williams	<u>s</u>		SESSION: <u>Regular</u> TIME: <u>11</u>			1:00 a.m.
	MOTION	YES	NO	OTHER			
BELSER		✓			Present in I	Hearing Room	
CASTON		✓			Present in H	Hearing Room	
ERVIN		✓			Present in I	Hearing Room	
POWERS		✓			Present in I	Hearing Room	
THOMAS	✓	✓			Present in I	Hearing Room	

C. WILLIAMS J. WILLIAMS	✓	Present in Hearing Room Present in Hearing Room
(SEAL)		RECORDED BY: J. Schmieding

